I think it's imperative that you set minimum standards for the amount of election and civic affairs coverage that they provide. Especially as you ponder giving them billions of dollars of the public's property (and then making the cable companies carry their shows to boot), I think it's reasonable to ask them to give something back. At a minimum, every station should provide 5 hours of coverage about elections each week in the 8 weeks leading up to an election.

You guys are in office to stand up for the public in matters like this, not bend over backwards making the industry fat cats even fatter. Please help us out here.
Thanks,
Derek Cressman